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New Franklin Park Pastor Hosts Big Block Party

by René Sewell-Rayson



PHOTO BY RENÉ SEWELL-RAYSON

Reverend George Odom II (right) is congratulated by Mayor Emmett Jordan.

When most people move to Greenbelt, they hope to be good neighbors and gradually get to know their new neighbors. But Reverend George Odom II, the new pastor of Rivers of Life AME Church, threw a block party to get to know all of his neighbors at once.

Among the grilled burgers and hotdogs, Odom greeted neighbors, including Mayor Emmett Jordan. The children enjoyed face painting, moon bounce, giant checkers and other field day activities. The 100-degree plus temperature dampened none of their enthusiasm. Thirty-seven children and 24 adults registered to enjoy the free event, and the block party Sunday worship service saw several new faces in the congregation.

Odom has been a minister for 29 years, and although this is his first assignment under the episcopacy of the AME church, he comes from a long line of men called to serve. “A call to ministry is part of my DNA,” he explained. “My last name in its Nigerian fullness is Odom-gwa-bah, meaning ‘those who guard the secret throne.’”

Odom balances his duties as a FEMA emergency management specialist, responsible for any “mass consequence event” occurring in the U.S., while shepherding his flock, who meet in the Springhill Lake Elementary School every Sunday.

When asked what role he saw for Rivers of Life in the Franklin

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Food Forest Workdays Study How to Fight Invasive Vines

by Maryam El-Amin

On Saturday, June 23 a Food Forest Volunteer Workday was held on the grounds behind Springhill Lake Recreation Center, co-sponsored by local non-profit CHEARS (Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society) and Greenbelt’s Department of Public Works. Chesapeake Conservation Corps intern Maryam El-Amin, who has been working at the Department of

Public Works, is conducting a comparative study to determine how best to manage invasive plant species in the Food Forest, using only manual, organic methods.

The Food Forest was separated into four square sections, each measuring 10x10 feet. In three sections, unique methods of controlling the invasive plants

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Chesapeake Conservation Corps intern Maryam El-Amin and a group of volunteers help with the Public Works Food Forest.

Council Ponders Revising Green Ridge House Admission Policy

by Kathleen Gallagher

When Green Ridge House opened in 1979 the city’s primary goal was to provide a housing option for low income Greenbelt seniors since there was no other senior residence in the city. At the same time, it was designed to include 10 handicapped-accessible units among its 100 one-bedroom apartments, so the facility has always been capable of serving a modest number of disabled residents.

At a worksession on June 20, five members of the Greenbelt

City Council discussed the changing demographics of those who now live or are on the waiting list for Green Ridge House in order to eventually make a determination on whether revisions to the existing admissions policy should be made to realign the property more closely with its original mission. Councilmembers were in agreement, however, that if there were to be a change in admission policy, it would not affect individuals already living at Green Ridge House.

Councilmembers Edward Putens and Colin Byrd were unable to attend the meeting. City Manager Nicole Ard and Christal Batey, community resource advocate for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program, were present and Liz Park, director of Greenbelt CARES, joined the meeting later.

Batey explained that about 20 percent of the residents of Green Ridge House are now under 62 years of age and are living there

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PHOTO BY JILL CONNOR

Fourth of July fireworks at Buddy Attick Park. See more pictures on page 6.

Board Decides: Turning Point Receives One-Year Renewal

by Matt Arbach

After much deliberation, the Prince George’s County Board of Education (BOE) bestowed a one-year conditional renewal on Turning Point Academy (TPA) at their June 28 meeting. Although far from being the five-year re-

newal that TPA staff, students and parents were looking for, the decision at least means that a possible closure of the school has been delayed for now. The BOE placed an amendment on the decision focusing on the governing ability of its board’s executive director, Paul Shackelford. Within the next three months a set of criteria to evaluate his performance will be developed in concert between Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) and TPA.

While insufficient academic performance and the lack of a proper and safe facility were under scrutiny, much of the debate at the June 28 meeting by BOE members centered on the issue of TPA’s executive director and the effectiveness of its governing board. Based upon the evaluation, the future role and status of the executive director will be determined. According to PGCPS public information officer, John White, the BOE has recommend-

ed professional development and board training to TPA to improve its governance issue.

Said White, it will be “highly likely” that a representative of PGCPS, chosen by both the BOE and TPA, will be placed on the TPA board to act as a liaison.

A climate survey was also recommended at the June 28 meeting “to assess the effectiveness of school operations, school climate, facility concerns and academic process,” according to the Board Action Summary.

TPA staff and board made an ardent case for a five-year renewal prior to the final vote. Founder Deborah Shackelford emphasized the school’s positive support for its teachers, its fiscal health and effective busing which have heightened its demographic profile. Founder Patricia Peterson stressed TPA’s character building mission and its ability to develop every student’s unique potential, adding that she herself was a

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What Goes On

Monday, July 9

5:30 p.m., Youth Advisory Committee, Youth Center

8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tuesday, July 10

7 p.m., Arts Advisory Board, Community Center

7 p.m., Public Safety Advisory Committee, Community Center

Wednesday, July 11

7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board, Community Center

8 p.m., Council Worksession with Advisory Board Chairs, Community Center

Editorial

We Stand with our Colleagues

The Greenbelt News Review stands with its colleagues worldwide in deploring the tragic violence visited on the Annapolis Capital Gazette’s staff. Our hearts go out to those who are suffering in the aftermath of lives cut short. We applaud the courage and dedication of the Gazette’s staff in publishing the next day’s issue of the paper despite the devastating experience they shared – there could be no more fitting tribute to those who died: Rob Hiaasen, Gerald Fischman, Wendi Winters, John McNamara and Rebecca Smith.

Community newspapers are naturally close to the people they serve. As community members ourselves, we share with our readers in the controversies particular to local life and are abundantly aware that readers can sometimes have extreme reactions to published articles. The News Review, like the Capital Gazette, risks angering individual readers when it does its job and reports local news.

Unbalanced and angry people are not a new experience for any newspaper. Newspapers sometimes receive angry and even abusive letters, but its staff should not expect to receive bullets. It is vital to a healthy democracy that those who work for a newspaper, both locally and nationally, be able to do their jobs without fear of retaliation. As a society, if we will it, we have the power to appropriately control guns. Though some people may still be angry enough to desire revenge, easy access to guns facilitates these tragically increasingly-common murderous rampages.

Though the News Review is concerned that such menace might come to our door, we will stand firm with newspapers big and small in supporting our free press of which everyone should be justifiably proud.

Letters to the Editor

A Note of Thanks

Yesterday, our local Dixon, Illinois, daily newspaper, The Telegraph, highlighted the tragic shootings at the Annapolis Capital Gazette in its lead editorial about public safety. The shooter in Annapolis had evidently never accepted the court’s dismissal of his suit against the newspaper in 2011. Without actually mentioning The News Review’s Supreme Court case, our local newspaper noted that “in America, a news outlet cannot be punished for printing facts - even facts some would prefer not be printed.” So, again, a big Thank You to The News Review for defending our First Amendment right of Freedom of the Press.

*Cordelia Benedict
Franklin Grove, Illinois*

In Praise

What a pleasure it was to read the loving, candid, humorous homage to Mary Carson written by her daughters Jennine Auerbach and Hopi Auerbach on page 4 of the June 28 issue of the News Review. Only a very vivid, exciting woman could have had such an unorthodox honeymoon, immersed herself in Civil Rights activism and danced in honky-tonks in high heels!

Her wonderful daughters have beautifully captured their mother’s flair and zest for all News Review readers.

Jim Link

Results: As Much As Soon as Possible

Citizen participation is the key to an effective democracy. And voting is our most important way to participate.

If the News Review continues

to be the backbone of Greenbelt, then it must encourage our citizens to vote. Many of us voters care deeply about which candidates won and wish to have timely election results.

If the total detailed results cannot be available the day after the elections, as in the past, we would like to have as much as possible – as soon as possible – rather than wait “a few weeks” for stale information.

We suggest a staff review of what could be done to actively encourage your readers to participate in our democracy.

David & Sandra Lange



Susan Gervasi at the Families Belong Together rally

Families Belong Together

Our government kidnapping children is so unquestionably immoral that even for shock politics it goes too far. This rally was the third my wife Susan went to in the past couple weeks at the Justice Department and by far the largest.

There were a number of Greenbelters there. I ran into a few but forgot to run the camera.

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City Notes

Animal control removed carcasses of a turtle and a bird, impounded two dogs during police execution of a search warrant and trapped an injured cat for treatment. Three kittens and one cat were surrendered by their owner, one cat was abandoned, two guinea pigs were surrendered and three dogs and two kittens were adopted.

A hands-on workshop on the Asian tiger mosquito, presented by the Maryland Department of Agriculture, was attended by city staff of several departments.

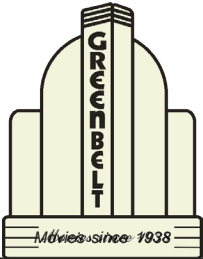
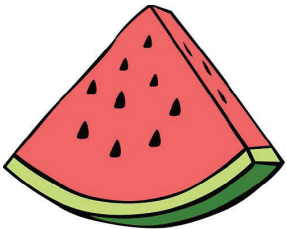
Street Maintenance/Special Details crew removed blacktop sidewalk from the Community Center playground.

Building Maintenance finished converting the dark room into a ceramic room in the Community Center.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability/Environmental crews collected 32.68 tons of refuse and 12.92 tons of recycling material.

CARES

Judye Hering taught the summer session of the babysitting course, where five students learned about various safety issues and responsibilities.



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SHOWTIMES
July 6th - July 12th

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR(CC) (PG - 13) (2018) (94 mins)
Fri. 2:30, 5:00, 7:30 PM
Sat. 2:30, 5:00, 7:30 PM
Sun. 2:30 (OC), 7:30 PM
Mon. 5:00, 7:30 PM
Tues. 5:00, 7:30 PM
Wed. 2:30, 5:00, 7:30 PM
Thurs. 5:00, 7:30 PM

50th Anniversary YELLOW SUBMARINE(G) (1968) (90 mins)
Sun. 5:00 PM

Storytime on Screen
Mon. 10:30 AM

School's Out: FREE! FERDINAND (2017) (PG) (108 mins)
Thurs. 1:00 PM

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The Old Curmudgeon

A cartoon by Parker showing two men in a hallway. One man, wearing a suit and glasses, is talking to another man who is shirtless and has a large nose. A sign on the wall points to the right.

"What time is the air-conditioning repairman supposed to come?"

- Greenbelt News Review August 15, 2002

Corrections

Last week’s paper announced a July date of Doctors Hospital monthly stroke support group. The July meeting is canceled. The group will meet again on August 8 from 1 to 3 p.m. Visit DCHrehab.org for more information.

A headline on the front page of the June 28 News Review incorrectly said that the mayor issued a proclamation commemorating Juneteenth. The proclamation actually declared June to be 13th Amendment Awareness Month.

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Community Events

At the Library

Senior Computer Club: Social Media Basics. Monday, July 9, 1:30 p.m. Learn what social media and social networks are and get to know some of the most popular and useful sites including Facebook, Twitter and Yelp. Registration is required; space is limited to six participants. Call the branch to register at 301-345-5800.

Teen Advisory Board: Monday, July 9, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Volunteer and make the library a better place for teens by talking about books, music and movies, and suggesting new additions for the collection. Registration required; contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800. (TAB will meet weekly on Monday afternoons.)

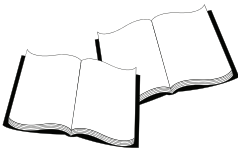
Weekly Storytimes: Books at Bedtime. Monday, July 9, 6:30 p.m., for ages newborn to 3, limit 20 people. Stop by the Information Desk to pick up free tickets on the day of the event. (This special storytime will be offered weekly on Monday evenings in July 2018.)

Ready 2 Read Storytimes: Tuesday, July 10, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, July 11, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2 to 3, Musical Instruments, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, July 12, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, Musical Instruments, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people.

English Conversation Club. Tuesday, July 10, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

French Conversation Club. Thursday, July 12, 5 p.m. Learning to speak French? Join this club and practice speaking French in a friendly atmosphere. This club will continue biweekly on Thursday evenings.

Community Book Discussion. Tuesday, July 17, 7 p.m. Join friends and neighbors to discuss great contemporary books every month. The selection for July is Anything is Possible by Elizabeth Strout.



GHI Notes

Thursday, July 5, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room; 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room.

Saturday, July 7, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room.

Tuesday, July 10, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby; 7 p.m., Nominations and Elections Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Wednesday, July 11, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, Board Room; 7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, July 12, 7 p.m., Board of Directors Training Session, Board Room.

Friday, July 13, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Smarter? Dumber? Technology’s Effect

On Tuesday July 10 the Thoughtful Discussion Group that meets at the MakerSpace on Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. will take up the question of “Does technology make us smarter or dumber?” Have we lost our rote memorization and basic computational skills by delegating too much to our calculators and smart phones? Have we freed up our inherent processing capacity by not clogging our brains with facts easily retrievable elsewhere? Everyone is welcome to join the discussion.

Computer Club Meets Thursday, July 12

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, July 12 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 103 of the Community Center. Everyone is welcome to the discussions about the latest in computers, tablets and consumer electronics. Basic troubleshooting advice for Windows computers and some for Apple iPad and iPhone is available.

Unplugged Events Coming in July

This July, join Greenbelt Unplugged for these fun and festive events.

On July 7 and 14 (Saturdays), from 3 to 5 p.m., there will be a Spindle Making and Spinning Workshop at the MakerSpace. Learn to make a spindle with old CDs and a wooden dowel, then learn to spin wool with it. Participants can go to either or both workshops, depending on their learning style.

On Saturday, July 28, also 3 to 5 p.m. Izolda Trakhtenberg leads a Community Singing Workshop. Learn basic vocal techniques to connect body, breath and voice to have joy in singing. Then, put new knowledge into practice in a fun, nurturing and encouraging atmosphere. Event will be held at the Community Center.

More information is available at <https://unpluggedgreenbelt.wordpress.com>.

All events are free to the public; donations will be accepted to help sponsor future events.

Mamas and Papas Meet Every Friday

Every Friday, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Mamas & Papas Friday Parent Meetup occurs at the New Deal Café. The meetup is an informal social gathering of new parents, expecting parents and caregivers for children ranging from birth to toddler. Discussions include helpful sleeping techniques, teething, how to get rest and local resources. Infants and toddlers are always welcomed.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of July 9 are as follows:

Monday, July 9: Indian beef curry, brown rice, green beans, naan bread, tropical fruit, apple juice.

Tuesday, July 10: Breaded pollock, macaroni and cheese, diced beets, wheat hamburger bun, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Wednesday, July 11: Chicken marsala, buttered pasta, broccoli, wheat roll, sliced peaches, apple juice.

Thursday, July 12: Split pea soup, beef hot dog, baked beans, hot spiced pears, coleslaw, wheat hot dog bun, cranberry juice.

Friday, July 13: Pork roast, mashed spiced yams, cabbage, dinner roll, apple juice.

Black Coffee at GAC

Black Coffee, by Agatha Christie, will be presented at the Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway, on July 6, 7 and 8 and again on July 13, 14 and 15. On Friday and Saturday the show starts at 8 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. Ticket information can be found at greenbeltartscenter.org/ or call the box office at 301-441-8770.

New Board Elected At Windsor Green

The Windsor Green Homeowners Association elected a new board of directors on June 18, according to a community press release. Catherine Terry-Crusor was elected president of the board, with Randall Evans and John Kerich earning spots as first and second vice presidents, respectively. Robin Burts was elected treasurer and Yolanda Voglezon was named secretary.

The board of directors holds monthly meetings at the Windsor Green Community Building, located at 7474 Frankfort Drive. Meetings take place at 7:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month. Elections are held each year at the June meeting.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, open to the public, on Saturday, July 7 at the City Observatory, located at Northway Fields. Attendees may expect to see Jupiter, Saturn and deep sky objects such as the Whirlpool Galaxy, Great Globular Cluster in Hercules, the Ring Nebula and the Dumbbell Nebula, viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera. As always, visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

Observing will begin at around 9:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. There is no fee for the event. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Golden Age Club

by Mary Moien

Greenbelt Canine Officer Jason Cressman accompanied by his partner Mojo will be the guest speaker at the Golden Agers meeting on July 11. This should be a fun and informative meeting. July 18 is the Pot Luck meeting and July 25 is Bingo. Meetings are held from 11 a.m. to noon every Wednesday in the Community Center Multipurpose Room. Guests are always welcome.



Greenbelt Park Events

The Greenbelt Park campground now requires reservations year round for the campground through Recreation.gov. The Reservation Link is on the website nps.gov/gree or call 1-800-365-2267. There is no longer the brown envelope or pay-at-the-campground system.

Saturday, July 7: Junior Ranger: Beginner’s Tree Walk. Come for a beginner children’s tree walk. Meet at the Ranger Station near the campground at 9 a.m.

Saturday, July 7: Outdoor Stewardship Volunteer Event. Join the invasive plant team as they monitor and repel the growing threat of invasive plants and insects in Greenbelt Park. Learn valuable information that not only helps the park, but can help protect vulnerable species in the region. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 11 a.m. Event lasts until 2 p.m.

Saturday, July 7: The Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Discover the history of this federal road. Meet at the Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

Sunday, July 8: Meet the Beaver. Join a Park Ranger reading Beaver at Long Pond and discover the habitats of beavers. Meet at the Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

Saturday, July 14: Greenbelt City, a Green Oasis, The Green Town of Maryland. Did you know that Greenbelt was a planned city of the Great Depression? Meet at the Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

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In Memoriam

Honoring Nancy DePlatchett

by Robin Olson



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Nancy DePlatchett

In memory of my dear friend and long-time Greenbelt resident Nancy DePlatchett, mahjongg jewelry was made from miniature tiles she had in her house. This was something Nancy had planned to do and Liz Eny and I

fulfilled her dream. Nancy was an art teacher and crafter. After discussions with her sister, Susan DePlatchett, we decided to donate the \$400 profit from our endeavor to a worthy non-profit, Greenbelt MakerSpace, founded by George Boyce and Eva Fallon.



PHOTO BY EVA FALLON

In memory of Nancy DePlatchett, Susan DePlatchett (left) and Robin Olson (right) donate \$400 to George Boyce of MakerSpace.

St. Hugh Parish Donates Books to SHL Elementary

On Tuesday, July 3, St. Hugh of Grenoble Parish and the Ladies of Charity donated over 1,000 children's books to Springhill Lake Elementary School's Summer Enrichment Program. Seven hundred books were donated by St. Hugh parishioners and 329 books were

donated by the Maryland Book Bank. The books will be given to the students attending the program. Pictured are: Barbara Chotnier, Peggy Compton, Ellen Hanyok, JoEllen Sarff and Mary Ann Tretler from the Ladies of Charity and Natasha Jenkins, Springhill Lake principal.



PHOTO BY CASTILLO CRISTEL

St. Hugh's Ladies of Charity donate books to SHL Elementary School.



Free Drop-in Grief Support Group

Doctors Community Hospital will hold its monthly free Drop-in Grief Support Group meeting Monday, July 9 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Critical Care Conference Room, 2nd floor at 8118 Good Luck Road. This group provides supportive listening, sharing and psycho-educational resources to grieving. For more information or to register call 301-808-5671.



The Greenbelt News Review wishes to thank our distribution contractor, Ian Tuckman, for over 20 years of service to our newspaper. He has delivered to businesses and carriers for approximately 1100 weeks, missing only two issues during that time. Congratulations to Quanasia T. Hill who graduated on May 5 from Chowan University in Murfreesboro, N.C., with a bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary studies. A big Happy Birthday to Virginia Beauchamp and Mary Lou Williamson from everyone at the Greenbelt News Review.

Anja Elizabeth Holland, a rising sophomore gender and women's studies and film major at Hollins University, has been named to the Dean's List for the 2018 Spring Semester. To attain this distinction, students must earn at least a 3.5 average on a 4.0 grading scale. Holland is the daughter of Kyla Hanington and Daniel Hamlin of Greenbelt. She is a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Hollins is an independent liberal arts university offering undergraduate education to women, selected graduate programs for men and women and community outreach initiatives. Its distinctions include a nationally ranked creative writing program, one of the oldest study abroad programs in the country, and extensive internship opportunities.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

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Letters continued

At least one, Beth Novick, said she went because of my letter to the News Review.

Frank Gervasi

Suspend APB Activities

On June 7, 2018 we submitted a complaint to the Open Meetings Compliance Board ("the Compliance Board") contending that the Greenbelt City Council's Advisory Planning Board ("the APB") violated the Maryland Open Meetings Act regarding fifteen meetings held between February 1, 2017 and May 9, 2018.

We contend the APB posted the minutes for only one of the meetings held in 2017 and did not post the minutes for four 2018 meetings in a timely manner.

We contend the public is not being properly informed about two proposed developments, which are under consideration by the City Council. These developments will require "text amendments" to rezone the impacted properties. The APB minutes discuss these developments.

The two proposed developments are: (1) Greenbelt Armory Place LLC is proposing to build 150 condominiums on the five-acre parcel previously occupied by the Greenbelt Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. GAP LLC wants to use a text amendment to rezone the property to increase the number of allowed residential units from 90 to 150. The APB recommends that the City Council work with GAP LLC and support the use of a text amendment to rezone the property; and, (2) Developers Patrick Ricker, Donna

Wilson, and Kirk Weiland are interested in developing the 4.4 acre site adjacent to the Capital Cadillac dealership to accommodate a new WAWA convenience store and gas station; they plan to use a text amendment to allow the WAWA in what is now a Commercial Office Zone.

A text amendment is a change in the language of the zoning ordinance that can sidestep the normal zoning process including a zoning hearing at which the property owner must provide evidence to support the zoning change. A text amendment requires only a legislative review by the Prince George's County Planning Board and the County Council (which sits as the County's "District Council," an entity authorized by Maryland statute to amend county zoning laws and maps).

The APB is chartered to provide the City Council with recommendations regarding residential, commercial, and industrial land development and zoning changes. As a public body, the APB is required by the Act to hold their meetings in public, to give the public adequate notice of those meetings, and to allow the public to inspect meeting minutes. The Compliance Board issues advisory opinions in response to written complaints regarding possible violations of the Act.

We want the City Council to suspend all activities of the APB until at least one of its members has completed a class on the Open Meetings Act. The City Council and its advisory boards are accountable to the residents of Greenbelt.

Brian and Donna Almquist



**Greenbelt Community Church,
United Church of Christ**

**Never put a period
where a comma should be . . .**

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your Spiritual journey, you are welcome **HERE**.

Join us this Sunday at 10:15

This Week's Message: "Defending the Church"

1 Hillside Road, Greenbelt 301-474-6171 Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff

Mishkan Torah Congregation



10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
Rabbi Saul Oresky Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM, except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:00 PM

Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM.
Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.

For further information call 301 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org
Conservative and Reconstructionist

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church



3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi
Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org



Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

July 8 10 a.m.

"Separation of Church and State and Racial Justice:
A Critical Nexus"

Rachel Laser, Americans United CEO, guest speaker; with Samantha Evans, Worship Associate

The US has a shameful history of using religion as an excuse to discriminate on the basis of race. Today we see that same pattern also applied to the LGBTQ community and others. Rachel Laser, CEO of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, will explain why we must face and dismantle both white privilege and Christian privilege before we can achieve ideals of religious freedom and equality for all.



**Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt
MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building

ALL ARE WELCOME.



Join Labor Day Parade And Maybe Win a Prize

Make plans now to participate in the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade. Community, school and government groups, local businesses, political incumbents and candidates or even informal groups formed just for the parade are invited to submit a parade application, obtainable from the Parade Participants website: greenbeltlaborday.com/get-involved/parade-participants/.

Create a float, put together a performance, show off an antique or otherwise unique vehicle or simply march together displaying signs advertising your group. You may even win a prize! All parade participants must pre-register no later than August 24 by emailing a completed parade application to GreenbeltLaborDayParade@verizon.net.

The Labor Day Festival Parade will occur Monday, September 3 from 10 a.m. to noon. The parade route is along Crescent Road, from Greenhill Road to Southway. Participants line up in the staging area along Crescent Road between Lastner Lane and Greenhill Road between 8 and 9:30 a.m. More detailed information is available from the Parade Participants website.

BSA Merit Badges At Wildlife Refuge

Scouts BSA Merit Badge Classes are offered at the Patuxent Refuge North Tract. The Bird Study Merit Badge will be offered on Saturday, July 7 from 8 a.m. to noon, the Nature Merit Badge on Saturday, July 14 from 8 a.m. to noon and the Plant Science Merit Badge and Forestry Merit Badges on Saturday, July 21 and 28.

Earn merit badges with other local scouts. All participants must have a blue card signed by their Scout Master that corresponds to the merit badge class. Bring a reusable water bottle and wear the activity uniform, comfortable hiking shoes, hat, sun screen and insect repellent. Camera and binoculars are recommended. Registration and parental participation is required.

Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. The North Tract is located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 32. For more information visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent.



Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday
10am – 4pm

Good, clean clothes for women, men and children!
Shoes, jewelry, books, etc.

6905 Greenbelt Road
Greenbelt, Md. 301-345-5111



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building, Monday, July 9, 2018 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Lady Angels Basketball Team
- Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation
- Tim Cook, Maryland State Resident Partner of Bethesda Biomedical, Wave Cannabis

Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

Minutes of Council Meeting

Administrative Reports

Committee Reports

- Forest Preserve Advisory Board #2018-02
(Recommendation that the City of Greenbelt create a science fund for studying the Forest Preserve)
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board #18-02
(Proposed Location for Additional Dog Park in Greenbelt)

LEGISLATION

- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars
 - 2nd Reading, Adoption
- An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation” of the Greenbelt City Code in Order to Revise Section 12-17, “Membership” for the Purpose of Changing the Size of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board
 - 1st Reading
- A Resolution to Repeal Resolution 2026 and to Establish Admission Fees and Pass Rates for the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Effective September 4, 2018
 - 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- Zoning Text Amendment- Condominium Housing Proposal for 7010 Greenbelt Road
- CB-013-2018 - Proposed Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Rewrite
- GHI’s Request for Joint Letter Requesting R-P-C Legacy Zone
- Greenbrook Lake Improvement
- Maryland Municipal League 2019 Legislative Requests
- GFAC Notice of Award to Heartline Fitness
- *-Approval of Recognition Group Certification for Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance and Greenbelt Unplugged
- *- Appointments to Advisory Groups
- *- Resignation from Advisory Groups
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

Greenbelt Animal Shelter

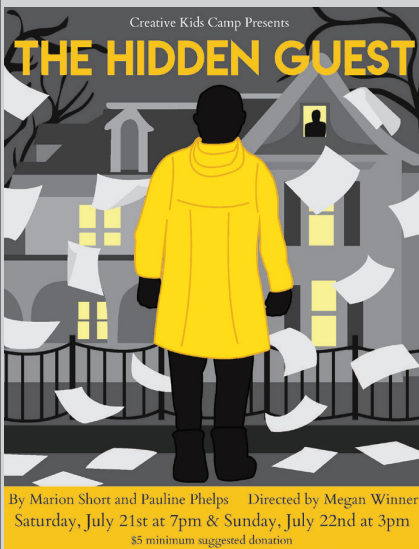


Saturday, July 7 from 10:30am-1:30pm
American Legion-6900 Greenbelt Road
Tickets are \$5.00 at the door.
Info: 301-474-6124

Light Refreshments, Silent Auction, Cake, and
of course... KITTENS!

Gift suggestions: Cat Beds, Fleece Blankets, Towels, Kitten Food (both dry and wet), Kitten Replacement Milk, Kitten Bottles, Toys, Heating Pad, Kitten/Cat Collars, Pine Fresh Litter, Litter Pans (smaller the better), Cat Carriers, Cat Trees, Dish Detergent (Lemon Joy is best), Canned Pumpkin, Mineral Oil, Feliway, Cat Nail Clippers and Monetary Donations.

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By Marion Short and Pauline Phelps Directed by Megan Winner
Saturday, July 21st at 7pm & Sunday, July 22nd at 3pm
\$5 minimum suggested donation

*The delightful comedic mystery, **The Hidden Guest**, was Greenbelt’s first high school drama club production, performed in 1938. Staffers of the Recreation Department’s performing arts camps are presenting this anniversary production in the Community Center auditorium, where the high school students performed the play 80 years ago.*

THE HIDDEN GUEST

Greenbelt Community Center Auditorium
Saturday, July 21 at 7:00 pm
Sunday, July 22 at 3:00 pm
Tickets: \$5 minimum donation

All profits from ticket sales will go to the camp scholarship fund. For tickets, call 301-397-2208 or visit the Community Center business office at 15 Crescent Road.

MEETINGS FOR JULY 9-13

Monday, July 9 at 5:30pm **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Youth Center Conference Room, 99 Centerway

Monday, July 9 at 8:00pm **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipal/tv

Tuesday, July 10 at 7:00pm **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road *Topics will include a general discussion of public art policies and opportunities and proposed by-law changes.*

Tuesday, July 10 at 7:00pm **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road *On the Agenda: Cameras & GEAC letter, vagrancy – Update, National Night Out, Labor Day Festival Booth*

Wednesday, July 11 at 7:30pm **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road *On the Agenda: Approval of APB Report No. 2018-04 - Royal Farms Gas Station Convenience Store/Urgent Care Center Greenbelt Rd adjacent Capital Cadillac and Discussion of Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Implementation*

Wednesday, July 11 at 8:00pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/Advisory Board Chairs** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

There are currently vacancies on:

Advisory Committee of Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Employee Relations Board, Ethics Commission, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information on how to apply: 301-474-8000

FREE BUDDY ATTICK SUMMER FUN RUNS

Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway
Thursdays: July 5-August 9;

7:00pm (6:15pm-6:45pm registration at Greenbelt Youth Center parking lot) FREE; registration and waiver required
Join us in this informal fun run race series. The course takes runners and walkers around Buddy Attick Park lake path for their choice of either 1.75 miles (1 lap) or 3 miles (2 laps). Fun Runs are open to all runners (novices, combination runners/walkers and families).
Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation and Prince George’s Running Club.

FOOD FOREST VOLUNTEER DAY



Saturday, July 21 from 10am-12:30pm
Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane
Volunteers needed!

Help us clear the Food Forest of weeds and invasive species. Questions? Contact Public Works CCC Member Maryam El-Amin at Mel-amin@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2150

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Park community, Odom had a ready answer – “for the church to be a conduit for religious growth and a leader in social justice and socio-economic issues. The church is returning to its role, to what we were as a sanctuary,

where people can feel safe and not be harmed,” he said. The church meets every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. A continental breakfast is served at 9:15 a.m. Children’s church meets concurrently. For more information

contact riversoflifeame@gmail.com or 301-909-8491. The motto of the church is “I am excited about the possibilities of the things God can and will do.” Welcome to this new leader in Franklin Park.

Photos by Rene Sewell-Raysor



Grillmaster Roy Noel keeps partygoers well-fed.



Twin sisters Tuqa, left, and Zainab Alyasiri have fun in inflatable body bumpers.

Leonie Penney – Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen in 2008

by Sandra Lange



PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen Leonie Penney offers her thanks from the podium. Beside her on the stage are her children Bernard Penney and Olga Garber.

In 2008, at age 90, Leonie Penney became Greenbelt’s oldest Outstanding Citizen. The accolade was the culmination of a lifetime of personal and community achievements stretching over decades from the time she volunteered in the 1950s at the Greenbelt Nursery School to her work in the 1980s and 1990s in establishing programs benefiting senior citizens. Penney immigrated to the United States as a young adult in 1948. Growing up in Holland during World War II, she witnessed Nazi atrocities against both family members and childhood friends. These memories were never forgotten and laid a foundation for her desire to help others in need. She and her late husband Walter and their young children moved to Greenbelt in 1957, establishing residence in the new Woodland Hills subdivision on Northway. She lived in the family home for most of her life and it was there that she died in 2013 at the age of 95. Penney was active in many organizations in Greenbelt. She was a volunteer with Greenbelt CARES and the Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team. She advocated for the construction of the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center. As she aged, calling herself a “card-carrying senior citizen,” she recognized the needs of other senior citizens and in 1989 re-



quested that the Greenbelt City Council appoint a task force to develop resources and fund a position that would help seniors remain in their homes. She served on the Citizens Advisory Committee and was a founding member of the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) programs. Into her 90s, she could be seen walking around Greenbelt Lake with her friend Kathleen McFarland, who remembered that Penney often stopped to exclaim about the beauty of the lake park. She also worked at the Greenbelt News Review ad desk. Like Penney, there are many Greenbelt citizens who are performing jobs that benefit our community and are worthy of the title of Outstanding Citizen. Both individuals and groups can still nominate someone by the deadline of July 30. Send a letter outlining the accomplishments of your nominee to Robert Zugby, chair, Outstanding Citizen Committee, 94 Ridge Road. The Outstanding Citizen award will be made at the Labor Day Festival’s Opening Ceremony on Friday evening, August 31.

Free Colonoscopies At Doctors Hospital

Colorectal cancer, though often preventable and curable, is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in Maryland. As a preventative measure, Doctors Community Hospital and the Prince George’s County Health Department have partnered to provide free colonoscopies. Community members may qualify for free colonoscopies if they are county residents ages 50 or older or ages 50 and younger with a family history of colorectal cancer. Patients must meet income eligibility guidelines. To learn more or to register, call 301-552-7705 or access DCHweb.org/prevention.

Fireworks at Buddy Attick Park



Once again, Greenbelt celebrates the Fourth of July with spectacular fireworks.

PHOTO BY JON GARDNER



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER



PHOTO BY JILL CONNOR



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because they are disabled. This shift in population accelerates with the waiting list, where 59 percent of the current applicants are disabled individuals under 62. Among the factors needing to be addressed is that the service needs are very different for the younger, disabled population. Another factor fairly recently discovered is that over the years there has been confusion with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) about how Green Ridge House is classified. Originally the city understood it to be a HUD 202 senior building, but it now seems also to be designated as a HUD 811 building for residents with disabilities. Although both provide subsidized rent, the 811 buildings also provide or subsidize a wider range of services for the disabled. Batey also explained that housing for disabled residents is typically on a smaller scale: for example, group homes located in houses. She added that there is a significant lack of housing in Prince George’s County for disabled residents under age 62, which is the underlying problem. Councilmember Rodney Roberts asked if the building had ever been classified as 202. Batey replied that it had, with a designation of “Senior, Disabled and Handicapped” in the original documents, with the 811 designation

appearing only later. She also commented that it was unusual to see the terms “disabled and handicapped” used together, since “handicapped” was replaced by “disabled” in federal references. According to Batey, the differences between “handicapped” and “disabled” are also significant to needs at Green Ridge House. Usually, she said, “handicapped” implies primarily physical and mobility issues, whereas “disabled” can include, in addition to physical, a much broader range of cognitive, behavioral and emotional issues, requiring different qualifications and expertise in the staff who serve the facility. Councilmember Silke Pope asked if the staff of Green Ridge House was in any way equipped to handle the different needs of the younger, disabled residents. Batey said they are not, since the staff at the facility are primarily property managers and the expertise of the involved city staff is primarily in working with the elderly. The result, if this trend continues, is that both services and staffing will need to be appropriately increased. As indicated in a memo from Park, the shifting demographics have resulted in other changes in the building, since as the numbers of residents with cognitive or emotional problems have increased, the behaviors and inci-

dents have become more difficult to manage. Younger residents in some instances have kept later hours and have allowed guests into the building who have not complied with building rules or have challenged or interfered with other residents. Councilmember Judith Davis said she couldn’t help but feel as though there was a square peg being put into a round hole, since the original purpose was to provide housing for older city residents who wanted to remain in Greenbelt. Although there has always been a preference given to Greenbelt residents, Batey had reported that applicants now come from all over the country, though the majority are from the county. Davis said if the service need is now mainly clinical, it’s a very different place than it was. Green Ridge House is working with HUD to find out what would be involved in having the building designated a HUD 202. In general, councilmembers favored shifting the demographic change back and targeting the building for seniors while keeping a number of units for the disabled. At the same time, they urged the city manager to keep all options open as discussion continues. Under any circumstances, it is understood that existing residents would be grandfathered in if there are changes.

Children at Kinder Camp Enjoy Their Summer



Children at Kinder Camp eagerly run to the new playground.



Kinder Camp children explore the possibilities on the new playground next to the Community Center.



Kinder Campers dance in their classroom.



Kinder Campers use a child-sized counter to hold a pretend store.



A friend helps to make a slide more fun.

Photos by Beverly Palau

Scientists in Bolivia Help Set New GNR Altitude Record

by David Whiteman

An international collaboration of scientists involving Greenbelter David Whiteman has established a new altitude record for a Greenbelt News Review. Whiteman recently attended the Science Team Meeting for the Global Atmospheric Watch station at Mt. Chacaltaya in Bolivia, where a large number of atmospheric sensing instruments are maintained as part of an international network of such monitoring stations.

On Thursday, June 7, a group of scientists was planning to ascend to the Chacaltaya station, situated at 5,275 m above sea level (17,300 feet), to work on the instruments. Being motivated by the altitude challenge issued in the March 8, 2018, issue of the News Review, Whiteman had transported a copy for just such an opportunity. Venezuelan scientist Lorenzo Labrador, working under the auspices of the World Meteorological Organization, transported the News Review copy to the summit station, establishing the new record. All scientists returned safely and are proud to now be in the Greenbelt record books.

Note from Cathie Meetre, previous holder of the altitude record:

David Whiteman and his team have beaten my previous record by an impressive margin. Three cheers for the Global Atmospheric Watch Team, both for entering into the true News Review spirit and for their scientific work.

Are there any Greenbelters headed to Everest? Or the Space Station? What is the furthest any News Review has been from Greenbelt?

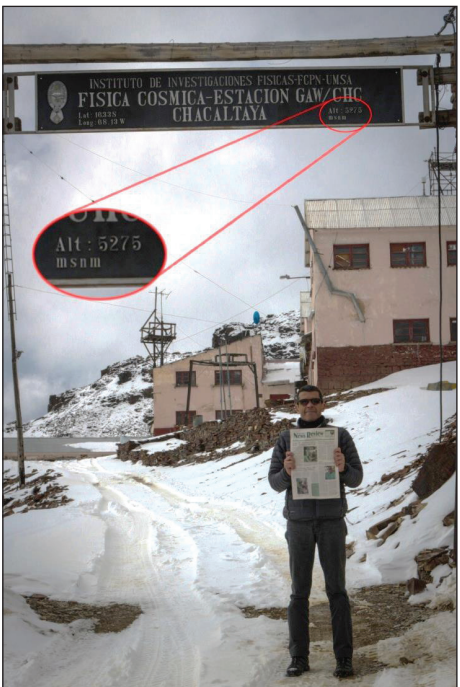


PHOTO BY MANUEL ROCA

Lorenzo Labrador displays the May 17 edition of the Greenbelt News Review at the Chacaltaya station in Bolivia, 5,274 meters above sea level on June 7.

Pint Size Supervisor Oversees Roadwork

Rudy Pugliese (age 21 months) has been following the progress of the roadwork being done on Ridge Road. We check it out several times a week, much to his delight. It started with the backhoes, dump trucks and cement mixers which he really loved. But today's steam roller was also a big hit. Here is a photo of Rudy checking out the progress. Rudy is the grandson of Katie Pugliese.



PHOTO BY KATIE PUGLIESE

Rudy watches workers on Ridge Road.

Stop Smoking Now At Doctors Hospital

Doctors Community Hospital along with the American Lung Association will host a free 8-week smoking cessation program beginning Monday, July 9, from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The Freedom From Smoking Program helps people during their journeys toward smoke-free and healthier living.

The free eight-week program provides participants with in-depth information, reliable resources, interactive discussions, guest speakers and support services along with free blood pressure screenings.

The program is free, but registration is required by calling 301-552-5178 or email miniimahwilson@DCHweb.org.

Free Talk on Bariatric Surgery, Weight Loss

On Friday, July 13 at 8:30 a.m., Doctors Community Hospital will offer a free bariatric surgery and weight loss lecture. The event will include the opportunity to meet other post-bariatric surgery patients while learning and sharing within a compassionate and professional environment. The lecture will take place at the Doctors Community Hospital, 8100 Good Luck Road, North Building, 5th Floor, Lanham, and registration is required. Participants may register by calling 240-965-4405 or by visiting DCHweightloss.org.



Arts Advisory Board To Meet July 10

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet next on Tuesday, July 10 at 7 p.m. in Room 112 at the Community Center. Note that this meeting on the second Tuesday of the month is a departure from the normal meeting schedule.

Topics will include a general discussion of public art policies, opportunities and proposed bylaw changes. For additional information contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov.



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A Review

Nuns, Priests, Bombs and Protests

Backyard Biota Videos Feature Local Naturalist and Plants

by Jim Link

After more than 10 years, the Reel and Meal at the New Deal Café still thrives. Its thought-provoking documentaries, delicious vegan food and stimulating discussions led by knowledgeable guest speakers constitute a kind of Socratic Symposium, but much more sober than Plato’s original.

On Monday, June 18, 60 patrons viewed writer, producer, director Helen Young’s film *The Nuns, the Priests and the Bombs*. It begins with the somber epigraph of J. Robert Oppenheimer, the father of the atomic bomb, “The people of this world must unite or it will perish.” The film tells the story of the non-violent, radical protests by Plowshares against the palpably dangerous, obscenely expensive, increasingly volatile nuclear stockpiling by the U.S.

Plowshares is a movement, not a rigid organization, a loose confederacy of nuns, priests and mostly Catholic laity who have been sounding the alarm about a possible encroaching Armageddon since 1980 until as recently as 2018. Their name is inspired by Isaiah’s great prophetic hope, “And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, their spears into pruning forks and nation shall not war against nation.”

On July 28, 2012, Plowshares members Sister Megan Rice, aged 82, Michael R. Walli, aged 63, and Gregory I. Boertje-Obed, aged 57, broke into the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge, Tenn., armed only with a Bible, candles, bread and bolt cutters. The facility had enough highly enriched uranium to make 10,000 nuclear bombs.

In 2009, a nun, a priest and three other activists ventured onto the Kitsap-Bangor Naval Base outside Bremerton, Wash., home port for eight of the nation’s 14 Trident nuclear submarines. In 1980 the Roman Catholic priests Daniel and Philip Berrigan and six others broke into a General Electric nuclear missile facility in King of Prussia, Pa. Some of these activists were convicted and jailed for two months to six years.

A few basic facts can enlighten us about the risk posed by the nuclear sword of Damocles hanging over our heads. The Hiroshima atomic bomb instantly killed 80,000 to 140,000 and seriously injured 100,000 more. Another A bomb killed 39,000 to 80,000 in Nagasaki. Myriad after-effects afflict survivors: cancer, PTSD,

burns, radiation sickness, etc. Most of the dead were civilians.

Trident is a submarine-launched ballistic missile equipped with multiple warheads. “Just one of the warheads is 25 times more powerful than the A bomb dropped on Hiroshima. Now multiply that by eight warheads, then we get a picture of the amount of destruction a single Trident missile can unleash.” (quora.com). France, China, Russia, Israel, North Korea and the U.S. all now have nuclear capability.

Here are some forceful quotes from the film’s activists. Sister Megan Rice: “One trillion dollars has been spent on our nuclear program. Underlying it all is profiteering. They are sabotaging the planet. Our only safety lies in elimination of nuclear arms.” Father Bill Bicsnel, S.J., age 82: “Are these things (Trident missiles) really bringing security?” Navy officer, Tom Rogers became a pacifist-activist. “The exponential increase in power of nuclear weapons, their inability to discriminate between non-combatants and combatants, makes them unlawful.” Ramsey Clark, former U.S. Attorney General under President Lyndon Johnson: “These nuclear weapons are a form of madness. Attention must be paid. God bless the Plowshares.” Lynne Greenwald: “I can’t not protest nuclear arms.”

A frustrating tactic adopted by the prosecution in all of the Plowshare trials was the focus on the narrow facts of the activists’ petty guilt, while disallowing discussion of the heinous guilt of those who drop bombs on innocent civilians and non-combatants. Yes, the Plowshares cut through 14 chain link fences with bolt cutters; yes, they symbolically struck Trident missiles or army tanks with ball-peen hammers; yes, they trespassed illegally. For these crimes Michael Walli spent five years in prison. Father Stephen Kelly spent six years in prison, Susan Crane five years in prison, Sister Megan Rice, almost three years in prison. (Her sentence was considerably reduced).

Leading the post-film discussion were Walli, Kathy Boylan of the Dorothy Day Catholic Worker House of Hospitality in Washington (both of whom appear in the film) and Bob Cooke. Jack Downs asked them if it had been a Plowshares protest he had seen at Andrews Air Force Base on Armed Forces Day many years

ago. Boylan said: “Yes, I was there in May of 1989. It was so sad. They would encourage children to hold M-16 rifles or wear army helmets or sit on a tank to show them a good time. We protested, hit a tank with a hammer, were arrested and tried in Greenbelt.” Downs: “I was there for the trial. They didn’t let you bring your case forward, right?” Boylan: “Right. We could not air the larger issues.” Downs: “And you were convicted?” Boylan: “Right.”

Another man asked them to describe the process of making the decision to engage in such risky behavior. Was it gradual, cerebral, bookish? Or sudden, wrenching, a Road to Damascus conversion? Walli answered immediately. “It was a matter of looking at facts and using reason and logic.” He then quoted St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas regarding man-made law and divine law. “They tell us we have an obligation to disobey immoral laws.”

Boylan, too, was passionate. “On May 17, 1968, when I was 24 years old I listened to the radio and heard about the bold action of the Catonsville Nine with Father Daniel Berrigan, dumping napalm and blood in a draft board office. I stood up a different person and was sent on a lifetime mission. I had a brother in the army then; we believed in the Vietnam War, but Berrigan changed my mind. I knew this war was insane.” Boylan ended by emphasizing that “justice for women is crucial. There can be no justice without justice for women.”

Prince George’s County Peace and Justice Coalition planned this month’s film. The next Reel and Meal film on Monday, July 16 will be *Pioneers of Hospice*. The cooks and volunteers deserve a huge thank you for their tireless work. Frank Gervasi, Alicia Deligianis, Catherine Plaisant and Vanessa Harris cooked the meal supported by volunteers Jean Lee, Jeanette Grotke, John Klinovsky, Susan Barnett, Lucy Duff, Michael Travis, Donna Hoffmeister and Marj Donn.



Jason Martin stars in the new Backyard Biota blog.

Backyard Biota, a series of very short videos featuring Greenbelt’s environmental coordinator, Jason Martin, gives entertaining and educational glimpses into Greenbelt’s natural landscape.

With Devin Williams (the City of Greenbelt’s cameraman and editor), Martin goes out exploring our varied woodland ecosystems. His engaging expertise and Williams’s curious camerawork introduce the viewer, up close and personal, to wildlife and features we’ve probably overlooked as we stroll around Greenbelt’s parks.

Enjoy all four (so far) videos in just a few minutes on Greenbelt’s City Facebook page. Meet Martin and the project in the premiere video, and then learn about a couple of pests (English ivy and periwinkle) and a quirky

native plant, the skunk cabbage.

Most Greenbelters know English ivy (*Hedera helix*) all too well, but did you know that it produces seeds only when it climbs? Or that it, like periwinkle (*Vinca minor*), was brought from England hundreds of years ago and since has spread over the east coast of the United States, crowding out our native understory plants?

Did you know that the skunk cabbage creates its own heat, and that it smells bad when crushed? The name is clue number one, but Martin tells (and Williams shoots) the whole story.

So watch the videos and leave comments. These environmental entertainers want to know what viewers liked and what they are curious to learn about in upcoming videos.

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proud TPA parent. She asserted that a renewal of only one year would only cause further anxiety and instability. Board chair Vincent Queen pressed forth the need for an open dialogue with PGCPs in order to make the necessary changes. Teacher Forest Johnson conceded the unhealthy, unsafe teaching areas and the lack of proper connection between staff and the board, yet declared TPA to be a great school nonetheless; a teacher on its board would be a positive step to improvement. Academic Facilitator Tauheeda Lewis capped off the staff testimony by praising the school’s academic outperformance over 60 Prince George’s County schools and moral mandate, yet admitted the school’s failings in its facility

and lack of materials at times. She pressed for a more proactive board to deal with these issues.

Commenting on the ruling, Paul Shackelford said he is relieved and excited to move forward. He said that “we are confident that we will meet the conditions associated with the renewal.” He felt disappointed though in how the decision process was handled by the BOE, noting that their findings did not accurately portray Turning Point and that the BOE did not properly consider Turning Point’s students’ interests. Nonetheless, he felt that TPA “will look forward to working with the Board and PGCPs for the benefit of the students and community.”

Wicked Thoughts Preview At Community Center

Greenbelt resident, mind-reader and psychic entertainer Michael Jons will be presenting a preview performance of his new show, *Michael Jons’ Wicked Thoughts* for one night only at the Community Center on Saturday, July 14 at 7 p.m.

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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltmd.gov/police
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Assault
June 25, 10:34 p.m., 25 Crescent Road. A 51-year-old non-resident woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and assault after officers responded to a report of a person vandalizing campaign signs. The woman began to shout profanities, which caused several residents to come out of their homes to observe her behavior. An officer was bitten while attempting to take her into custody. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The officer was transported to Doctors Community Hospital for treatment of the bite.

Theft
June 23, 7:40 a.m., 8000 block Greenbelt Station Parkway. A lock was cut off a black Schwinn 21-speed road bike, which was subsequently stolen.

Burglary
June 24, 11 a.m., 19 Court Ridge Road. A green Trek mountain bike was taken from an unlocked shed.

Vandalism
June 24, 2:45 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. The sliding glass door and a bedroom window of a residence were broken.
June 24, 1:22 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A scooter was used to break out the bedroom window of a residence.

Vehicle Crime
Two stolen vehicles were recovered. A 2011 Toyota Corolla stolen on May 10 from the 7700 block Hanover Parkway was recovered June 21 by Prince George’s County police in the 8700 block Ashwood Drive in Capitol Heights.
A 2017 Chevrolet Equinox SUV reported stolen to Metro Washington Airport Authority police was recovered in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace.
Multiple thefts and one attempted theft from vehicles were reported. A front passenger window in the 7400 block Greenbelt Road was broken out and the

vehicle was rummaged through but nothing appeared to have been taken.
Seven airbags were taken on June 23, one in the 7200 block Hanover Drive after the front passenger side window was broken out and five in the 7700 block Hanover Parkway. An airbag was also taken the same date in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway, in addition to camera equipment, clothing and four tires and rims from this same vehicle. Another set of four tires and rims was taken from one vehicle in the 7200 block Hanover Drive on June 23.
Two thefts occurred on June 23 in the 8000 block Greenbelt Station Parkway, where a book bag and wallet were taken from one vehicle and a book bag and a tablet-type computer from the other after a window had been broken out.
Rear Md. tag 307Y6 was taken from a motorcycle in the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane and two tags, Md. 52427CB, were taken in 14 Court Ridge Road.
A vehicle in the 9100 block Springhill Lane was booted for several parking violations on June 25 by a parking enforcement officer and on June 27 both the vehicle and the boot were no longer at the location.

Rise in Airbag Thefts

Greenbelt police want residents to be aware of a recent rise in thefts of vehicle airbags and that steps can be taken to reduce the chances of airbag theft, which may also help prevent car theft in general.

Park in a well-lit location, keep your car locked and don’t leave valuables in plain sight. The use of a steering wheel locking device, such as The Club, could prevent access to airbags in some cars. Call 301-474-7200 to report any people acting suspiciously, loitering near or looking into vehicles or in vehicles driving slowly through parking lots.

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were used: mulching the ground with layers of wood chips and cardboard, cutting all vegetation with hedge trimmers and weed-whackers, and pulling the invasives’ roots from the ground. The fourth area was the control, to be left alone for comparison. The main targeted weeds were porcelain-berry vines and mile-a-minute vines.
Both species are incredibly aggressive and are threatening to overtake the Greenbelt Food Forest. However, the Food Forest in the past has already benefited from past workday volunteer events co-sponsored by CHEARS and Public Works. In June, five volunteers came out, worked

hard, helped spread mulch and removed more than 15 pounds of invasive vines including the two targeted in the study.
Porcelain-berry is originally from Asia and is a very common invasive species in forests across America. Its vines grow deep, its leaves spread wide and its vines tightly curl around other plants, choking them out, stealing their nutrients and blocking sunlight from smaller plants. In fall, it grows bright blue berries that are eaten and spread by birds. The seeds can remain dormant in the ground for years.
Mile-a-minute is another vine from Asia, widespread in gardens across the east coast after ac-

On the Town: Greenbrier Residents See a Tourist’s View of Greenbelt

by Angeline Butler

On Saturday, June 23, a group of Greenbriar residents boarded a city shuttle bus on a mission: to see the sights of Greenbelt and be introduced to places and happenings that they had only read about. For the sake of anyone new enough that they hadn’t tracked down where to vote, the tour started at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a polling place for the primary election on June 26 and the general election in November. They then passed over the Baltimore-Washington Parkway to arrive at Roosevelt Center. The tour was conducted by assistant city manager David Moran.
Disembarking at Roosevelt Center, the tourists had a chance to view the variety of businesses around the central square with its tables, chairs, benches and shade trees. Moran described the continuing spirit of the cooperatives and gave the history of how the federally owned project that was Greenbelt was turned over to a group of citizens who had formed a cooperative for the housing, and to the city government for other assets, such as the swimming pool. Today the cooperative businesses in the Center are the Credit Union, the Co-op Supermarket, the New Deal Café and MakerSpace.
The main attraction, for this group at least, was the MakerSpace premises. George Boyce, the cofounder with his wife Eva Fallon, gave the group a run-down of the many and varied interests of the volunteers and participants, such as fiber arts (knitting, crocheting, etc.), wood-working, robotics, various club meetings, animation and game design, eight summer camps on technological and engineering activities for various ages of children, and much more. The MakerSpace has recently transitioned from a private foundation to a community-owned co-operative enterprise.
As the group waited briefly for the bus to come around for the next part of the tour, Moran gave a brief historical perspective on the misunderstanding that some people (think Joe McCarthy) spread about the nature of cooperatives. Instead of recognizing that cooperatives are a deeper form of democracy, Senator McCarthy referred to them as communistic.
Next on the itinerary was passing by the Community Cen-

ter, the Library and the Youth Center with its skateboard park. The Youth Center was a revelation to many on the bus, as was the Greenbelt Museum, which we saw on the way out from the Library. The Museum, run by volunteers, is one of the original homes built by the federal government. It has been restored with the appliances, furniture and other appurtenances that were in, or are of the era of, the original homes.
Leaving city center behind, the group did a brief run up to Northway Fields to see the astronomical observatory, cared for and utilized by Greenbelt’s astronomy club, The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt. This is the location of the star parties periodically announced in this newspaper. Who knew Greenbelt had such a wonder?
The group then proceeded to the Police Station and noted that the animal shelter was just behind it. The next-to-last stop was at Greenbelt Lake in Buddy Attick Park. The lake was also part of the original town and was turned over to the city government when the federal government divested itself of ownership. There is a

lovely walking path around the lake that is utilized extensively and is the location for the fireworks on July 4th. Discussion of the best spots for viewing fireworks ended in a general agreement that almost anywhere around the lake is good.
After viewing the recycling center and the public works department just downhill from the parking lot at the lake, the tour proceeded to the last stop, the volunteer fire department station. Circling the parking lot behind the station, the group was able to see the length of the auditorium that is used for crab feasts and other fund-raising activities, and is also rented to outside groups for their functions, such as the party that is given while awaiting the results of an election. So now all the political nail-biters know where to come.
As the trip ended, everyone expressed delight and thanks to the skilled bus driver, who missed most of the washboard effect and potholes on the gravel road up to the Northway Fields, and to Moran, who not only arranged for the bus and driver but was such a wonderful tour guide.

City Animal Shelter Protects Its Residents from the Heat

by Lesley Kash

Extended periods of heat and humidity affect the health and comfort of pets, especially if they are left outside. Whether an animal is closed into a hot space or gets too much exercise in the heat or without adequate water, hot weather can be deadly.
Greenbelt Animal Control Officer Howard Stanback reports that the animals in the Greenbelt Animal Shelter are in good health and good condition because the shelter is air-conditioned. But pet owners may not understand the dangers of a heat wave.

“One concern is that people overwork their dogs in this heat without knowing it,” said Stanback. One complaint from the public about this issue has been filed and investigation is underway.
The greatest heat-related threat to animals is shutting them in a car in the heat.
Two dogs have been impounded for this reason, according to Stanback. They have been returned to their owners with a warning about the danger.

NOMINATION FORM

Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form by July 30, 2018 to: Bob Zugby, Chair
Outstanding Citizen Committee
94 Ridge Road; Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee: _____

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Attach a statement (preferably printed or typed), which explains why this nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time, specific accomplishments during period of service, the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the City, and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material is useful to the Committee but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person’s good works will be helpful.

You may be contacted for additional information. If you prefer, send this form now and complete the statement later, but no later than the July 30th deadline.

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Sports

Greenbelt Babe Ruth Teams Victorious

by Ian Gleason and Jude Maul

The Greenbelt Black Junior Babe Ruth baseball team had a roller coaster of a game on Monday, June 25 against the Marlboro Mustangs. R. J. Thornburg started pitching for Greenbelt Black and had a solid first inning giving up one run while settling into pitching duties. In the bottom of the first a series of hits and walks by the first three batters – AJ Rizzo, Logan Beasley and Tommy Hill – resulted in a single run leveling the score at one.

Catcher Vladimir Lucero hit a line drive to left centerfield clearing the bases and putting Greenbelt up 5-4 at the end of two. In the top of the third Adam Howard came in to relieve Thornburg on the mound. A walk, infield hit and an error-ridden sequence of plays resulted in four more runs and a 9-5 Marlboro lead. In the bottom half of the inning Howard had a solid single to left field. Beasley hit one over the left fielder’s head to score two runs. However, an infield fly rule caught an unaware runner off second base and ended Greenbelt’s rally with three on base and Marlboro on top, 9-7. Beasley came in to relieve Howard in the

fourth, which was followed by a series of unfortunate events for Greenbelt culminating in a 13-7 Marlboro lead.

Greenbelt’s final inning was jumpstarted with one out by singles from Zach Beasley and Thornburg. Several walks for Greenbelt batters followed, leading to an infield hit from Ben Larkin with the bases loaded. Jaden Osbourne then came up with two down and doubled deep to left field to tie it up at 13-13 as the lights came on for the senior game to follow. Mikey Rodriguez came up with two outs to face the left-handed pitcher. Osbourne increased his lead from third and stole home resulting in a walkoff

14-13 victory for Greenbelt.

While the Greenbelt Black Junior Babe Ruth team was wrapping up their exhilarating come-from-behind victory the Greenbelt Green Junior Babe Ruth team was just beginning their 8:30 p.m. contest at Beltsville. Greenbelt Green was buoyed to a 9-7 victory over Beltsville by a complete game on the mound from Devin Zeiders, who also tripled in the game. Josue Bonilla came to the rescue with a long run catch at his ankles in centerfield. Antoine Franklin had an impactful single and caught a solid game behind the plate, including throwing out a would-be

base stealer. Greenbelt remained aggressive on the basepaths with the likes of Matthew Baravechia despite a dangerous Beltsville catcher. Later, the Greenbelt Senior Babe Ruth team reigned victorious over Lanham, concluding a successful day for all three teams.



Left: Tommy Hill attempts to pick off a Marlboro runner in the first inning on June 25th.

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Adam Howard delivers a pitch for the Greenbelt Black Junior Babe Ruth team.

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Creative Kid's Camp Newspaper Shows off Campers Imagination

by Amy Hansen

The CKC News! is an irreverent paper that features works by the campers and shows off projects done in camp. This year the camp play is Magic in the Attic, which focuses heavily on the imagination of children.

The writing class asked if adults also use imagination. Five adults agreed to participate, sending emails with answers to the questions. Not surprisingly, Camp Director Chris Cherry was a

favorite of the campers. Campers also heard from the camp music director Stefan Brodd, Old Greenbelt Theatre's Executive Director Caitlin McGrath, and NASA astrophysicists Lin Jian and Teresa Nieves-Chinchilla. All of the adults said imagination is an important part of their work.

In other projects, the campers created origami books to tell their own stories and each worked with a partner to try out drawing

a story without talking.

Each session of the camp ends with the production of the 40-minute musical. The CKC News! adds a snapshot of some of the creative work going on during the two weeks before the performance.

Amy Hansen is the writing instructor for the first session and editor of the CKC News! and is on staff at the Greenbelt News Review.

GATe Honors Outgoing Director Malia Murray

by Konrad Herling



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Malia Murray poses with her cake for her farewell party.

On Friday, June 29, Malia Murray's last day as executive director of Greenbelt Access Television (GATe), the organization presented a Thank You reception for Murray, an event organized by René Sewell-Rayson, GATe's secretary.

GATe President Bob Zugby led a number of speakers who expressed gratitude for her work teaching new members of the community the art and skills of filming, editing and researching, as well as working with community organizations to produce public service announcements. Additionally, after the death of Tom White, she took on a number of the financial responsibilities he had shouldered.

Given that Murray had begun her work in television with Greenbelt's Municipal Cable Television and partnered with the city's efforts after moving over to GATe to help produce coverage of the Labor Day Festival and other city associated programs, it was appropriate that Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmembers Leta Mach and Colin Byrd speak. (Councilmember Judith Davis, who wanted to be on hand as well, was unable to attend because she was stuck in traffic).

Phoebe McFarb spoke movingly about the impact she has felt from Murray's teaching. Former councilmember Konrad Herling, who has served as the city's liaison to GATe, also spoke.

But perhaps most important were the warm remarks made by

her parents and finally, by an appreciative Murray.

Murray was the face of GATe for the last 20 years, having come to the organization's rescue in 1998 after the untimely death of GATe's first executive director, Kjell Forsting. Forsting, hired by the group's board of directors in late 1996, helped design what was then a new studio space at the Community Center. He moved the organization with a sense of insight and purpose, with a goal of putting "Greenbelt on the Map." When he died from a heart attack in early 1998, the City's Municipal Cable director, Beverly Palau, recruited Murray to fill the position. She accepted and became the face of GATe for the next two decades, assisting as well with the Utopia Film Festival and filming and editing Greenbelt Arts Center productions and Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club programming.

Murray also reached out to several students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School throughout the years. She recruited bright young people, among them Greenbelters Scott Candey and Aaron Solomon, who worked on video productions and provided invaluable assistance in researching and recommending new and improved technology necessary for improved quality of productions.

GATe extends its best wishes to Malia in her future endeavors.

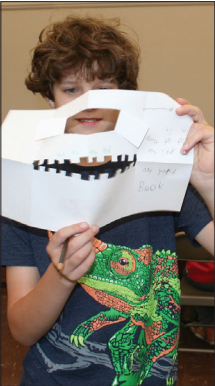
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Origami Books Let Kids Shape Their Own Stories



The project was originally called My Attic. The concept is to make an origami open-the flap book (a project originated by my friend Sushmita Mazumdar). I was expecting campers to write about their favorite toys and old toys and then draw pictures of these toys in their books. But campers wrote about lots of things. Yes, they wrote about toys, but also friends, pets, favorite books, or favorite places. They showed us what it looked like through the window and sometimes added more flaps. There are even some hidden maps in these books.

Above: Nolan of the Titans works on his book. Below: The finished books.



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Trip to the Greenbelt News Review: Truth and Fiction

When we toured the News Review this year, I gave the campers an assignment. Write down two or three things that are real and one that you make up. Either the thing had to be absurd or it should try to fool us.

by Emerson of the Centaurs
Typewriters, old newspapers a mail basket and an Easter basket

by Olivia of the Centaurs
I saw a computer. I saw an American flag. And I saw a lizard

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Drawn Together: An Exercise in Cooperation

After reading Drawn Together, a picture book by Minh Le and Dan Santat, about getting to know people by doing joint drawings.



Milo and Jackson of the Argonauts worked together.

Scenes from a very Creative Kids Camp



Griffins practice their dance. More pictures on page 3 and 4.

Imagination: It's Not Just for Kids

Imagination is a key element to this summer's play, Magic In The Attic. Using that theme, I set up the process for this year's five "imaginary" interviews. The interviews (three questions about imagination) were done via email before camp started, and then read aloud so campers could practice being reporters who have to listen hard and take notes.

The campers then worked with their notes and the email transcripts to write their stories.

And at least for these five adults in our community, the answer is a resounding yes. Adults need imagination for their work and their joy in life.

Stefan Brodd

by Aliya of the Titans
Stefan Brodd is the musical director for Creative Kids Camp. He prepares for shows. He also works with soloists and groups of people to help them prepare for the show.

He uses a lot of imagination in his job as a musical director. "Using my musical imagination, my hands, and 88 keys of the piano, I help create through musical sound, the imaginary world of the play."

He thinks his music has an impact on the audience's emotions and their own imaginations too. Steve says his music can help them feel calm or excited, happy or sad depending on what is happening in the play.

Steve says he uses his imagination a lot. And when he plays he makes other people want to use their imaginations too.

Chris Cherry

by Katherine of the Olympians
Chris uses imagination in his job. He needs his imagination when he writes the plays and songs for the camp. Imagination is important to Chris when he reads books. He imagines all of the characters and settings, which probably is more entertaining and fun.

by Maya of the Centaurs
Chris Cherry said that imagination is important because when he makes shows he needs to add and take away parts in plays. Chris Cherry's job is to make plays and check if every part of the plays is correct. He needs imagination to find solutions to the plays. Imagination is important to Chris Cherry because it brings joy to his life



Chris using his imagination for composing by Rochelle of the Griffins

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